Export of Meat and Meat Products to Russia

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India eyes Russian market for exporting its meat and meat products;

(b) whether any negotiations have taken place at the official or at the trade level; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) A proposal to export buffalo meat is at a preliminary stage of discussion. Details of veterinary conditions are yet to be worked out mutually, before final negotiations for export of buffalo meat to Russia can take place.

Yield of Foodgrains

4686. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the average yield of foodgrains per acre/un-irrigated, state-wise and irrigated, land-wise;

(b) whether Government propose to popularize intensive agriculture on small holdings; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The estimated state-wise average yield of foodgrains during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-01 is given in the enclosed statement. *{See* below). The State-wise estimates of average yield of foodgrains separately for irrigated and unirrigated area are not generated.

(b) and (c) The Government implemented several schemes for promoting intensive agriculture & raising production, including on small holdings, like Integrated Cereal Development Programmes in Rice based, Wheat based and Coarse Cereals based Cropping Systems Areas. The Government also give special subsidy for various inputs such as sprinklers and drip irrigation to small farmers to encourage them to take up intensive agriculture on small holdings. Some of these schemes have since been brought under a Macro Management Scheme to give flexibility to the States in the implementation of the schemes as per their respective local requirements.

Statement

State-wise estimates of average yield of foodgrains

(Kg/Hectare)

State	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01
Andhra Pradesh	2022	1919	1995
Arunachal Pradesh	1040	1125	1104
Assam	1288	1409	1443
Bihar	1520	1617	1662
Jharkhand	•	*	1095
Goa	2379	3228	2240
Gujarat	1426	1186	1169
Haryana	2700	3047	3088
Himachal Pradesh	1768	1754	1740
Jammu & Kashmir	1725	1508	1235
Karnataka	1348	1286	1406
Kerala	1941	2094	2056
Madhya Pradesh	1091	1208	907
Chhattisgarh	*	*	799
Maharashtra	974	931	757
Manipur	2309	2328	2300
Meghalaya	1398	1531	1547
Mizoram	1638	1781	2036

State	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-01
Nagaland	1331	977	1316
Orissa	1079	1025	950
Punjab	3741	4028	4032
Rajasthan	960	975	884
Sikkim	1193	1317	1356
Tamil Nadu	2562	2343	2262
Tripura	1875	2119	2060
Uttar Pradesh	1945	2188	2105
Uttaranchal			1712
West Bengal	2198	2178	2217
A & N Islands	2070	2496	2533
D & N Haveii	1179	1394	1257
Daman & Diu	1303	2464	1303
Delhi	795	803	798
Pondicherry	1961	2041	2037
All India	1627	1704	1636

*Separate estimates for the newly carved out States are available only from 2000-01.

Drought in Karnataka

4687. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 179, given in the RAJYA SABHA on 1st March, 2002 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Karnataka is facing severe drought situation in the year 2002-2003; and

(b) if so, the details of steps Government propose to take to tackle the drought situation?